

United States District Court
Northern District of California

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN JOSE DIVISION

SIONE S. HOKO,
Plaintiff,

v.

TRANSIT AMERICA SERVICES, INC.,
Defendant.

Case No. 14-CV-01327-LHK
Case No. 15-CV-06211-EJD

**ORDER RE: CONSIDERATION OF
RELATED CASE STATUS**

On January 14, 2016, District Judge Edward Davila issued an order requesting the undersigned judge to consider whether *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.), is related to *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 14-CV-1327-LHK (N.D. Cal.). No. 14-CV-01327-LHK, ECF No. 35. The deadline to file a response or statement of opposition has now passed. *See* Civil L.R. 3-12(e) (requiring response within four days of order).

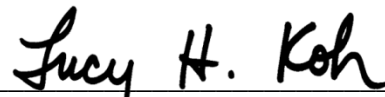
The Court has carefully reviewed these cases, and finds that the cases are not related. Specifically, Civil Local Rule 3-12(a) provides that “[a]n action is related to another when . . . [t]he actions concern substantially the same . . . transaction or event.” Civil L.R. 3-12(a). Here, all of the events in *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.),

1 occurred after the events in *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 14-CV-1327-LHK (N.D.
2 Cal.). See No. 15-CV-6211-EJD, ECF No. 1 ¶ 5 (“The discriminatory acts, which are the basis of
3 this suit, occurred between May of 2014 and June of 2015.”); No. 14-CV-1327-LHK, No. 28 ¶ 5
4 (“The discriminatory acts, which are the basis of this suit, occurred between July of 2012 and July
5 of 2013.”). Moreover, the cases pertain to different charges of employment discrimination, filed at
6 different times, before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (“EEOC”). See No. 15-
7 CV-6211-EJD, ECF No. 1 ¶ 7–8 (describing charges brought before EEOC in May and June
8 2015); No. 14-CV-1327-LHK, No. 28 ¶ 7 (describing charge brought before EEOC in December
9 2013).

10 Accordingly, *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.),
11 and *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 14-CV-1327-LHK (N.D. Cal.), shall not be
12 related, and *Hoko v. Transit America Services, Inc.*, No. 15-CV-6211-EJD (N.D. Cal.), shall not
13 be reassigned to the undersigned judge.

14 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

15 Dated: January 20, 2016

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19 United States District Judge
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